The Rubber Factory.

49. ✻ **MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the income derived and the expenditure incurred till now (28-7-1111) in connection with the State Rubber Factory;

(*b*) the monthly expenditure incurred on account of the salary to the staff employed in the factory;

(*c*) the number of employees in the factory from Brahmins, Nairs, Ezhavas, Christians, Muslims and other Hindus, respectively; and

(*d*) the value of articles manufactured in the factory till now (28-7-1111)?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*):

			Rs.	Ch.	C.
(*a*)	Receipts	...	1,376	15	12
	Expenditure (till 1-8-1111)	...	3,91,285	1	5
(*b*)	Rs. 2,291-22-2.				
(*c*)	Brahmin	...	1		
	Nairs	...	56		
	Ezhavas	...	12		
	Christians	...	23		
	Muslims	...	5		
	Other Hindus	...	18		
(*d*)	Rs. 20,613-4-3.				

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know whether the South India Corporation Limited, Cochin, the agency appointed, has canvassed any order till now?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): For how many rupees?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Rs. 2,000.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): When was the agency appointed?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Last month.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether the workmen employed in the factory are included in the permanent staff?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): No.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether payment is made to these workmen in proportion to the actual work turned out by them?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Some of them are given monthly wages.

MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*): May I know whether Government will consider the question of introducing piece-work system in the Rubber Factory? I think it will be more profitable to Government.

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): Yes, it will be considered.

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MR. T. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara II*) : May I know whether the Director of Industries has any administrative control over the Rubber Factory ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : May I know whether the sale of products was within the State or outside ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

MR. POTTAYIL S. KRISHNA PANICKAR (*Shertala II*) : With reference to answer to part (*d*), may I know whether any articles manufactured after 28-7-1111 have been sold ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes, some articles have been sold.

MR. POTTAYIL S. KRISHNA PANICKAR (*Shertala II*) : May I know by whom they were sold ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : By the Rubber Expert.

MR. POTTAYIL S. KRISHNA PANICKAR (*Shertala II*) : May I know who is responsible for the sale of manufactured articles in the Rubber Factory ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : An agency has now been appointed.

MR. PACODE A. NARAYANA PILLAI (*Vilavankod*) : With reference to the answer to part (*d*), may I know on what basis the value has been fixed ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : It is based on cost of production, depreciation of machinery and other things, as such articles are generally valued.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*) : May I know whether there is any officer who is to advise on the marketing of rubber products manufactured in the Rubber Factory ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The Rubber Expert himself is competent to advise Government with regard to that.

MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI (*Kalkulam II*) : With reference to the answer to part (*d*) may I know whether it is the cost price or the selling price?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : The selling price.

SADASYA TILAKAN T. K. VELU PILLAI (*Trivandrum-Urban*) : May I know whether, among the employees in the Factory, there are people who know the various processes of manufacturing articles, except the man at the head ?

MR T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Some of the employees are being taught the various processes of production.

MR. A. THANU PILLAI (*Trivandrum Rural*) : May I know the value of articles manufactured up-to-date or to the end of last month ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : I claim notice.

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